MINUTES STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES WORK SESSION January 18, 2006

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges (SBCJC) met at 6:00 p.m. at the Hilton in Jackson, Mississippi, on January 18, 2007.

The following members were present: Mrs. Patricia (Pat) Dickens, Mr. Henry (Bubba) Hudspeth, Mr. Napolean Moore, Dr. Dorothy Nelson, Mr. Ed Perry, Mr. Henry Thomas and Mr. George Walker. The following were absent: *Mr. Chip Crane, Mr. Bruce Martin and Mrs. Brenda Yonge.*

SBCJC staff present: Dr. Wayne Stonecypher, Dr. Randall Bradberry, Dr. Larry Day, Ms. Debbie Borgman and Mrs. Denise Walley.

Guest present: Dr. Reggie Sykes – IHL.

Mr. George Walker called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Dr. Stonecypher began by reporting that Dr. Jason Pugh's father is extremely ill and asked that he be remembered in prayer.

Dr. Stonecypher reminded the Board of the Career Readiness Certificate (CRC) that Dr. Pugh has been exploring the possibility of implementing in Mississippi. There are upcoming committee meetings that will take place to further plan and discuss options. Dr. Stonecypher emphasized the importance of having industry support for the proposed plan to be successful. There are approximately 26 states currently issuing CRCs and appear to be doing well.

Due to Dr. Jason Dean's recent move to Washington, DC, the governor has appointed Dr. Johnny Franklin as his new Education Policy Advisor. Dr. Franklin is a past principal of Warren Central and worked with Dr. William Lewis at the Mississippi Educational Forum in the past.

Ms. Debbie Borgman reviewed the Finance agenda items, as follows:

General Fund 2298 Disbursements for February - June 2007, in equal amounts of \$9,814,616, shown as "Finance Attachment 1" of the January 19, 2007, meeting minutes.

Education Enhancement Fund Disbursement for February 28 2007, from funds 4080 and 4110 in the total amount of \$3,213,260. See "Finance Attachment 2" of the January 19, 2007, meeting minutes.

A recent **Property Audit** was conducted at the SBCJC office; with no findings they reported a 100% clean audit. See "Finance Attachment 4" of the January 19, 2007, meeting minutes.

Financial Statements for Funds 2291 and Special Funds as of December 31, 2006, are shown as "Finance Attachments 5a and 5b" of the January 19, 2007, meeting minutes.

Dr. Larry Day gave a brief summary of the revised **5-Year Capital Improvement Plan** for the community colleges, which is required to be submitted to the Mississippi Bureau of Buildings, Grounds and Real Property Management after it has been approved by this Board and the individual Board of Trustees of the colleges. See "Finance Attachment 3" of the January 19, 2007, meeting minutes.

Dr. Bradberry stated that he would provide a current copy of the Legislative Bills being tracked in his office during the Board meeting. The Mid-Level Funding bill has been referred to the House Universities and Colleges Committee and has been appointed to a subcommittee in the Senate. There are forty-four names as co-authors on the House Bill, signifying their support for the bill.

Dr. Bradberry announced that confirmations for four of the Board Members: Mr. Henry (Bubba) Hudspeth, Mr. Bruce Martin, Mr. Henry Thomas and Mr. Ed Perry, will be coming up during the session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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